

*ABSTRACT AMENDMENTS*

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~~The invention relates to a~~ A still for distilling an alcoholic liquid such as wine. The still ~~comprises~~ includes a chamber ~~(1)~~ with a copper wall ~~(10)~~, which is intended to receive an alcoholic liquid, the capacity of the ~~forementioned~~ chamber ~~(1)~~ representing a certain volume. The liquid which occupies the volume at the start of the distillation and the chamber wall ~~(10)~~ define, by mutual contact, a first interface with an area to volume ratio that is at most equal to 27 square centimetres per litre. ~~According to the invention,~~ ~~the~~ The still also comprises one or more copper plates ~~(2)~~ which are disposed inside the chamber ~~(1)~~ and which are submerged in the alcoholic liquid. When the volume is occupied by a liquid, ~~said~~ ~~the~~ liquid together with the copper plates define a second interface with ~~a non-zero~~ ~~an~~ area and the ratio of the total area of the interfaces to the volume is at least equal to 30 square centimeters per litre.